



Region 9 Works Council

MEETING NOTES

March 24, 2016, 10:00 AM- 12:00 AM

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1. Meeting was called to order by Chris Lowery
2. Introduction of Council Members: Chris Lowery (Ivy Tech), Harold Wilson (Cummins), Stephanie Weber (EcO/CEC), Jane Hussey (Columbus Regional Health), Barry Parkhurst (NTN Driveshaft), Melissa Miller (Honda Mfg of Indiana), Rebecca Reeves (DOE) via phone, Jan Holm (Batesville Tool & Die), Sue Smith (Ivy Tech), Jesse Brand (Brand Slumber) via phone
3. Introduction of Guests: Gene Hack (C4), Brenda Cooley (180 Skills), Tom Weisenbach (180 Skills), Richard Sewell (WorkOne Centers), Kathy Oren (CEC/EcO)
4. Minutes from the February meeting were approved
5. Adult Education
 - a. At last month's meeting, the You Can, Go Back program was presented and during that discussion we talked about an adult education strategy that could be the next initiative for the Works Council. It was decided the March meeting would allocate most of the time to a facilitated discussion around adult education.
 - b. Kathy Oren from the CEC/EcO acted as the discussion facilitator
 - i. Covered background information on the region's networks and the planning methodology that will be followed
 - ii. Discussed the objective/scope statement and came up with the following:
Increase the number of working adults with a High School diploma or equivalent in Region 9 who return to school and obtain an industry recognized credential or post-secondary degree
 - iii. Did a stakeholder exercise to identify the stakeholders based on the objective/scope statement by looking public, private and social sectors
 - iv. For each stakeholder listed, a deeper dive was performed on each to identify what they bring to the table
 - v. For some of those identified, we asked - what data do we need, what could we work on now, what would success look like
 - vi. Kathy with Stephanie's help will take this information and summarize it
 - vii. Kathy Hoffman is currently in the process of creating a guiding team for adult education as part of the Attainment Network

6. Skill Up grant update
 - a. nothing to report
7. Updates by State and Regional Partners
 - a. DWD - nothing to report
 - b. Workforce Development Board - nothing to report
 - c. EcO15 - nothing to report
 - d. AHEC - nothing to report
 - e. Others - nothing to report
8. Network Updates – Leaders
 - a. Educational Attainment - nothing to report
 - b. Manufacturing Sector - nothing to report
 - c. Health Care Sector - nothing to report
9. Other business
 - a. Tom Weisenbach and Brenda Cooley from 180 Skills gave a brief overview of their program for Adult Education including incumbent workers. Working with DWD and using the Integrated Education and Training grant they partner with Manufacturing. Twelve career paths are offered in an on-line format with the State covering the first 200 active/completed enrollees. There are no prerequisites, but they have an ideal profile. The program starts April 1st. Chris asked if they are able to supply what % of the students are working while taking the courses and what are the placements statistics for those completed while not working or if working, did they move up in their organization.
10. Adjournment
 - a. Meeting was adjourned by Chris Lowery.
 - b. Our next meeting will be held April 28th, 10:00 - 12:00 at Ivy Tech in Madison